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BRIDGE INTERDICTION
NORTH VIETNAM

THIS BRIEFING BOARD SHOWS PRE-STRIKE AND POST-STRIKE PHOTOGRAPHY
OF TWO INTERDICTIONED BRIDGES IN NORTH VIETNAM.

DONG PHONG THUONG RAILROAD AND HIGHWAY BRIDGE
1958N 10550E

1. PRE-STRIKE PHOTOGRAPHY OF

REVEALS A THREE-SPAN THROUGH STEEL TRUSS RAILROAD AND HIGHWAY
BRIDGE OVER THE SONG LEN (RIVER), 0.5 NM SOUTH-SOUTHWEST OF DONG PHONG
THUONG AND 13 NM NORTHWEST OF THANH HOA.

2. POST-STRIKE PHOTOGRAPHY OF

REVEALS THAT THE CENTER SPAN OF THE DONG PHONG THUONG BRIDGE HAS
COLLAPSED INTO THE RIVER, THE NORTHERN SPAN HAS SUSTAINED HEAVY
STRUCTURAL DAMAGE, AND THE SOUTHERN SPAN IS LIGHTLY DAMAGED. BOTH THE
NORTH AND THE SOUTH ROAD AND RAILROAD APPROACHES TO THE BRIDGE ARE
CRATERED AND UNSERVICEABLE. NUMEROUS BOMB AND ROCKET CRATERS ARE
OBSERVED ON BOTH BANKS OF THE RIVER.

3. STRIKE DATA REPORTS THAT THE TARGET WAS STRUCK BY 99 US NAVY
AIRCRAFT SUPPORTED BY 23 OTHER US NAVY AIRCRAFT. ORDNANCE EXPENDED
CONSISTED OF APPROXIMATELY 200 250 LB. GENERAL PURPOSE BOMBS, 168 500
LB. GENERAL PURPOSE BOMBS, 11 1,000 LB. GENERAL PURPOSE BOMBS, 129
ZUNI ROCKETS, 304 2.75 INCH ROCKETS, AND 960 ROUNDS OF 20 MM AMMUNITION.

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1. PRE-STRIKE PHOTOGRAPHY OF TROJAN HORSE [REDACTED] 25X1

[REDACTED] REVEALS A TEN-SPAN, HALF-THROUGH, WOODEN TRUSS BRIDGE WITH A PLANK ROADWAY, LOCATED AT THE SOUTHERN EDGE OF DONG HOI. A CAUSEWAY AT EACH END OF THE BRIDGE CONNECTS IT TO THE BANKS OF THE RIVER. 25X1

2. POST-STRIKE PHOTOGRAPHY OF [REDACTED] 25X1

[REDACTED] REVEALS TWO SPANS OF THE HIGHWAY BRIDGE TO BE DESTROYED, THREE SPANS ARE SEVERELY DAMAGED, ONE SPAN IS MODERATELY DAMAGED, AND FOUR SPANS ARE UNDAMAGED. ONE LARGE BOMB CRATER AND NUMEROUS SMALL BOMB CRATERS ARE OBSERVED ON THE SOUTHERN CAUSEWAY, AND TWO LARGE CRATERS ARE OBSERVED ON THE NORTHERN CAUSEWAY. 25X1

3. STRIKE DATA REPORTS THE HIGHWAY BRIDGE WAS STRUCK ON 4 APRIL 1965 BY 20 VNAF AIRCRAFT SUPPORTED BY 14 USAF AIRCRAFT. ORDNANCE EXPENDED CONSISTED OF 88 250 LB. GENERAL PURPOSE BOMBS, 119 500 LB. GENERAL PURPOSE BOMBS, 16 750 LB. GENERAL PURPOSE BOMBS, AND 120 2.75 ROCKETS.

4. AREAS HAVE BEEN PREVIOUSLY COVERED BY COLD TALE, LAZY DAISY, LUCKY DRAGON, AND TROJAN HORSE PHOTOGRAPHY.

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